

# KNOW ALL ABOUT THE COURTS

**Directions:** Read these questions before you watch the video, *Know All About the Courts*. The answers to the questions are in the video. You may want to take notes.

1. Who do the courts belong to?
2. Why do we need courts?
3. What are Missouri's three branches or parts of government?
4. What is the job of each branch?
5. What do we call the people who come to the courts to solve a problem?
6. Give some examples of who parties may be.
7. What do each of these people do in the court?

- a. Lawyers
- b. Witnesses
- c. Court reporter
- d. Judge
- e. Jury

Bonus: How old must you be to be a juror?



8. What is the name of the court that a party goes to first with a legal problem?
9. What court does a party that is not happy with the decision go to next?

Bonus questions: (Visit [www.courts.mo.gov](http://www.courts.mo.gov) and select "Supreme Court" for the answers.)

1. How many judges are on the Supreme Court of Missouri?
2. Who is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Missouri?
3. Who are the other six judges of the Supreme Court of Missouri?



4. How are Missouri's Supreme Court judges chosen?